DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT FOR 2006

PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT IV

Cases initiated in 2006	896
Approved	729
Requested Information	7
Declined	153
Cased Resolved in 2006	805
Found Guilty	652
Acquitted	12
Filed	8
Dismissed	113
Not Prosecuted	20

The Number of cases in which the Certified Batter Program was ordered as a condition of probation is 212. There are additional cases in which the Certified Batterer Program was a condition a plea, such as a Deferred Disposition, but those cases cannot be tabulated at this time.

Since November 1, 2006, ADA Andrew Zulieve, Domestic Violence Prosecutor for this District, began keeping statistics on domestic violence cases in which a firearm was involved or implicated. From November through December, 2006, our District prosecuted three such cases. Thomas Jewett, our Office's computer manager is perfecting a means by which cases which have been tagged on our JustWare program to indicate domestic violence and firearms components. ADA Zulieve also provides case information to the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife of felons involved in any way with domestic violence matters. Through its database, the Department determines if any of the individuals submitted have registered in Maine wild game shot with a firearm. If so, the State continues its investigation to determine if the person is prohibited from the use or possession of a firearm, and if so, may bring appropriate felony charges for that use or possession.

Narrative:

Prosecutorial District IV includes both Somerset and Kennebec Counties. There are District Courts in Skowhegan, Waterville, and Augusta and Superior Courts in Skowhegan and Augusta. Prosecutorial District IV has a grant funded Domestic Violence Prosecutor, although several other prosecutors also handle Domestic Violence Cases.

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Three Victim/Witness advocates are also assigned to cases in which there are victims, including Domestic Violence Cases.

Prosecutorial District IV has three Domestic Violence Investigators, one funded by Kennebec County, one funded by Somerset County, and one funded by a grant.

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